

OPINION 1447

Trichomonas Donné, 1836 (Protista, Mastigophora): spelling confirmed

Ruling

- (1) Under the plenary powers it is hereby ruled that the correct spelling of the name *Tricomona*s Donné, 1836 is deemed to be *Trichomonas*.
- (2) The name *Trichomonas* Donné, 1836 (gender: feminine), type species by monotypy, *Trichomonas vaginalis* Donné, 1836, spelling emended in (1) above is hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology.
- (3) The name *vaginalis* Donné, 1836, as published in the binomen *Tricomona*s *vaginale* (specific name of the type species of *Trichomonas* Donné, 1836) is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology.
- (4) The name TRICHOMONADIDAE Grassi, 1882 (type genus *Trichomonas* Donné, 1836) is hereby placed on the Official List of Family-Group names in Zoology.

History of case 245

An application on the spelling of *Trichomonas*, together with four other important protistan genera, was first received in 1926. Unfortunately, consideration of this name was deferred at that time. A draft application was received in 1947 from the late Professor H. Kirby (*University of California*). However the case did not proceed until it was rewritten and published in BZN 43: 218–220 (July 1986). Notice of the possible use of the plenary powers was given in the same part of the *Bulletin* as well as to twelve general and two specialist serials. No comment was received.

Decision of the Commission

On 1 March 1987 the members of the Commission were invited to vote for or against the proposals set out in BZN 43: 218–220. At the close of the voting period on 1 June 1987 the state of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative votes—24: Alvarado, Bayer, Cocks, Cogger, Corliss, Dupuis, Gruchy, Hahn, Halvorsen, Heppell, Holthuis, Kabata, Kraus, Lehtinen, Melville, Mroczkowski, Ride, Savage, Schuster, Starobogatov, Thompson, Trjapitzin, Uéno, Willink

Negative votes—none.

No vote was returned by Bernardi.

Original references

The following are the original references to names placed on the Official Lists by the ruling given in the present Opinion:

TRICHOMONADIDAE Grassi, 1882, *Atti della Società Italiana di Scienze Naturali e del Museo Civico di Storia Naturale*, 24: 141.

Trichomonas Donné, 1836, *Compte Rendu Hebdomadaire des Séances de l'Académie des Sciences*, Paris, 3: 386.

vaginalis, *Trichomonas*, Donné, 1836, *Compte Rendu Hebdomadaire des Séances de l'Académie des Sciences*, Paris, 3: 386.